

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

203 Mill Street

CITY, TOWN

Cambridge

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Dorchester

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

— DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
— STRUCTURE  
— SITE  
— OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

— PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
— BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

— IN PROCESS  
— BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☒ OCCUPIED  
— UNOCCUPIED  
— WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
— YES: RESTRICTED  
— YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☒ NO

**PRESENT USE**

— AGRICULTURE — MUSEUM  
— COMMERCIAL — PARK  
— EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
— ENTERTAINMENT — RELIGIOUS  
— GOVERNMENT — SCIENTIFIC  
— INDUSTRIAL — TRANSPORTATION  
— MILITARY — OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Kenneth C. Dovell

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Dorchester County Courthouse

Liber #: 160

Folio #: 614

STREET & NUMBER

206 High Street

CITY, TOWN

Cambridge

STATE

Maryland

21613

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two and one half story frame house has a gable roof with two center chimneys and a center gable. There is a Palladian window in the gable. A one story porch, supported by Doric columns, extends across the three bay front. The door has a rectangular light above and is flanked by side-lights. On the north and south sides of the house is a two story polygonal bay window with a gable above. The house is altered by the addition of asphalt siding made to look like brick.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

## PERIOD

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 100-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This is a vernacular style house that probably dates to the late 19th century. It is not architecturally or historically significant but is compatible with the Mill Street environment.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Catherine L. Moore,

ORGANIZATION

DATE

11/26/75

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Route 3, Box 32

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Cambridge

Maryland 21613

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

203 Mill Street

Although the exterior of this house looks contemporary to the other turn of the century houses on Mill Street, the structure is much older. The front part of the building is the oldest residence currently on Mill Street, dating from 1854. It was erected as a modest, two-story frame house by Vernon C. Rea, proprietor of Rea's Bramble House, a hotel that once stood at the corner of Gay and Poplar Streets. The house remained in the Rea family until 1906. Between 1911 and 1937 it was occupied by William A. Willis, a local undertaker.

The exterior of the building is covered with fake brick siding, which detracts from its possible contribution to the architectural character of Mill Street. The interior, however, is preserved much better and is more in keeping with the age of the house.

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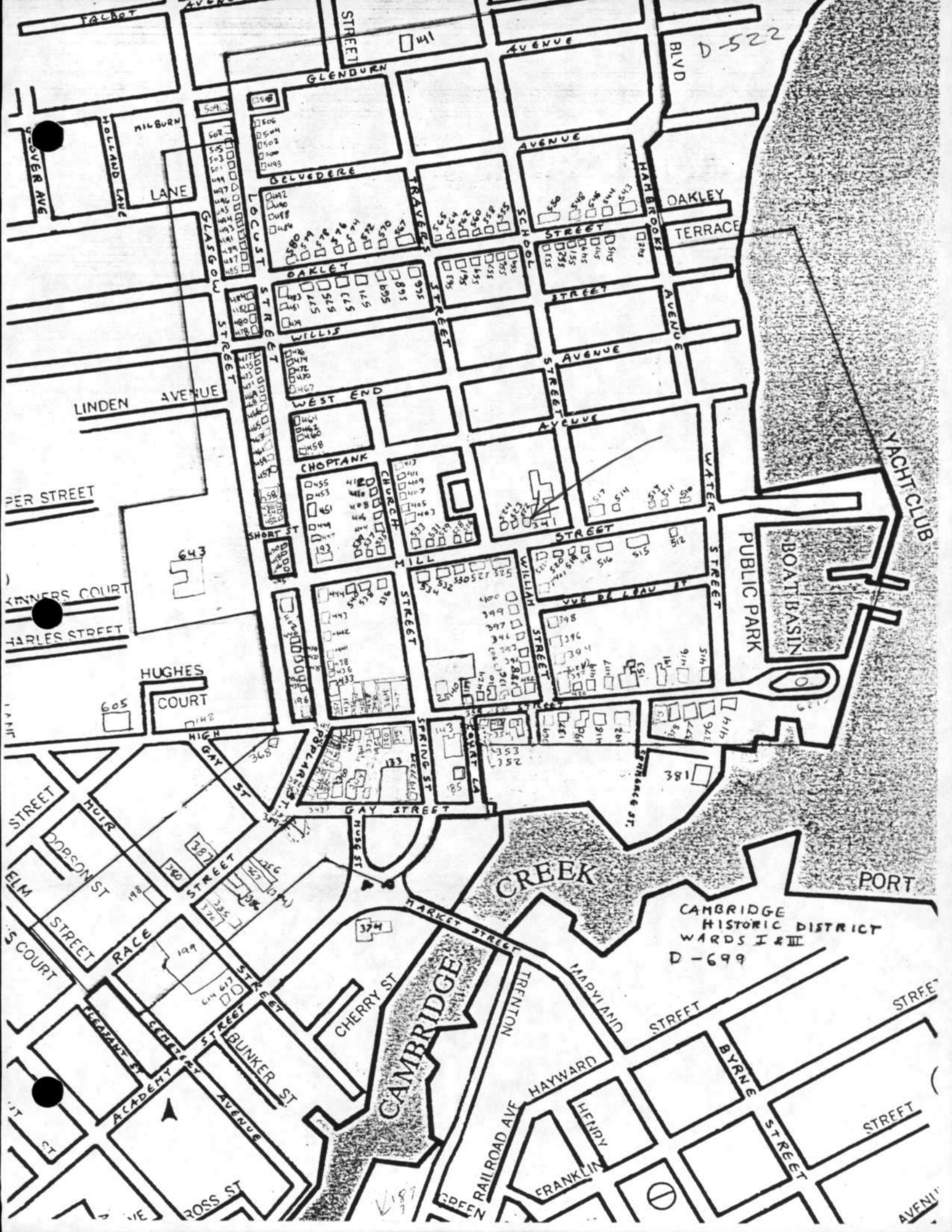
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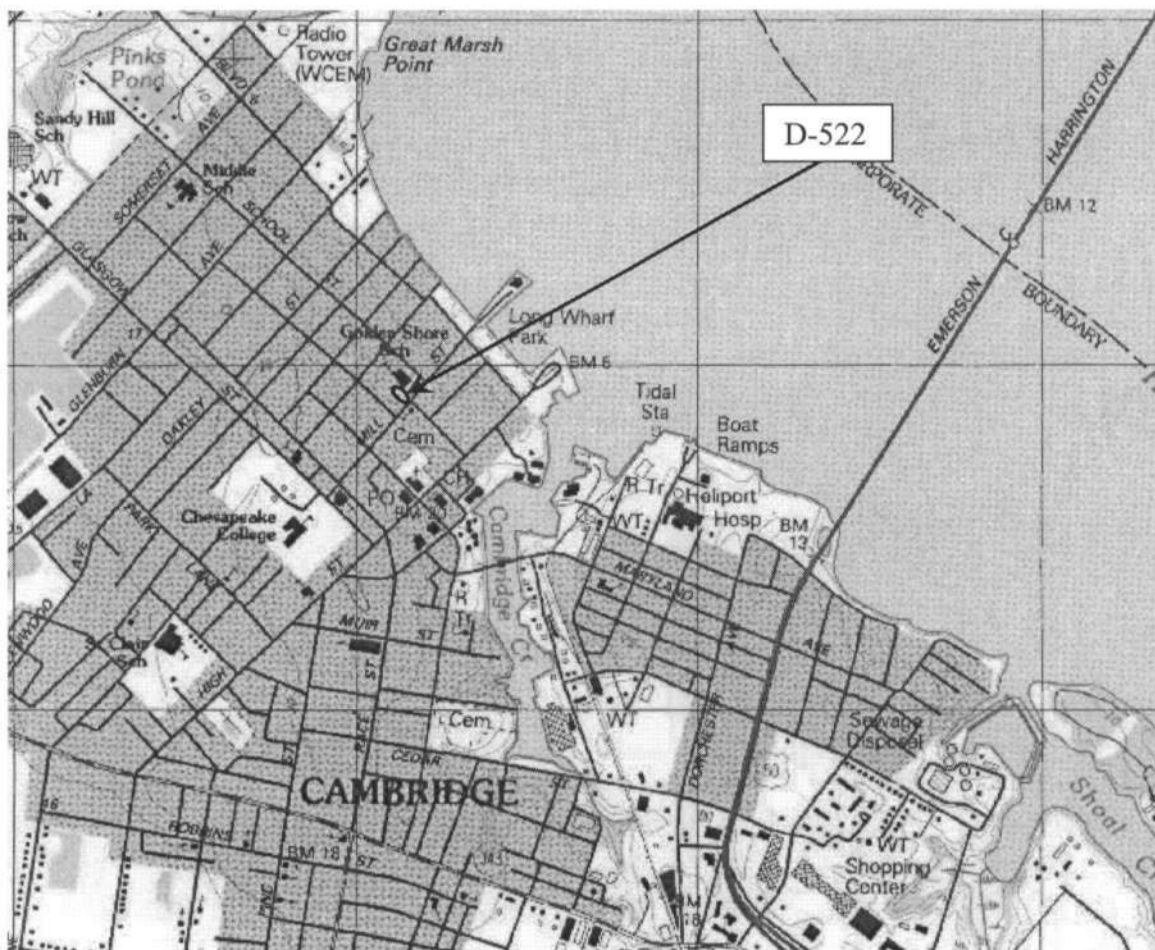
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